

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT



the lions school for visually handicapped children



the lions school for

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visually handicapped children

the program

The program of the school extends over a wide field of child training, from the fundamentals of dressing, bathroom hygiene and through regular nursery school and kindergarten activities. Just as far as possible the children are treated as if they have normal vision. Everything possible is done to prepare the child for public school. Children are admitted to the school at the age of three and earlier if the mother will come with them.

The home counseling service is one part of our program and we feel it is a most important part. The visiting teacher helps parents to understand the child's handicap and how to cope with it. Past experiences have shown us that too often visually handicapped children are held back in their development because of a misbelief that children are "different" in growth and development because they are blind or their sight impaired. Through love, and through knowledge that a child is an acceptable part of the family, through doing away with overprotectiveness and through encouragement the children are ready for group experience at the nursery school by the time they are three years of age.





volunteers

The school has to depend very heavily on volunteer work in carrying out the program. There have been interested community groups who have worked in the school since it was opened five years ago. Our sincere thanks goes to: the Junior League; Delta Delta Gamma Alumnae; Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae; Pi Beta Phi Alumnae, and the Temple Israel Sisterhood.

These groups have served us in various ways. Some have worked in the school with the children, some have provided transportation and some have helped to prepare the noon lunch.

financial statements

Operating balance on hand June 30, 1959
Receipts on a pro rata basis of \$1.00 per child
in Shelby County from the State of Tennessee
Receipts from other sources
 Memorial fund
Mr. and Mrs. James W. Adams
Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Dawkins
Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Gardner
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Moore
Mrs. G. D. Strauss
Robert E. Horrell
Bellevue Baptist Church
Delta Air Lines
Other donations less than \$50
 Total Received
 Grand Total

Expenditures

1. Instructional cost
 Instructional salaries and benefits
 Teaching supplies, equipment
2. Physical plant cost
 Janitorial Salaries
 Rent and Utilities, other

Total Cost
Reserve Fund on deposit

Operating balance June 30, 1960

the memorial fund

Our Memorial Fund is a living tribute to the lives of our children while memorializing our friends. A gift to the Memorial Fund is a way of saying that the nursery school serves. When a child or friend who passes away but it is remembered that the nursery school serves. When a child or friend who passes away but it is remembered that the nursery school serves.

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July 1, 1958.....	\$3836.64	
of the ten Lions Clubs		
the E. H. Crump Memorial Fund Game....	\$13500.00	
.....	\$311.87	
.....	70.00	
.....	60.00	
.....	100.00	
.....	50.00	
.....	100.00	
.....	100.00	
.....	50.00	
.....	64.00	
0.00 each.....	291.00	
.....	\$1196.87	
.....		\$18533.51
and travel.....	\$5925.00	
equipment, and other expenses.....	\$1977.15	
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	\$7902.15	
	\$ 675.00	
other expenses.....	\$1116.90	
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	\$1791.90	
		\$9694.05
		\$5000.00
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1959		\$3839.46

fund

giving tribute to the memory of loved ones. The Fund helps our
deceased friends.
and not only expresses your deep sympathy to the survivors of a
it also expresses your faith and hope for a full life for the children
If you fail to read a funeral notice, or are out of town when it
your sympathy through your memorial gift.

contributing individuals

Mr. and Mrs. Arvie P. Mills	Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick A. Kepka
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Emery	Mr. and Mrs. Galvin Keene
Clyde R. Coleman	Mr. and Mrs. Claude Killingsworth
Mrs. J. K. Hinton	Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Gardner
Miss Dosia Hinton	Mr. and Mrs. James W. Adrian
Miss Janie Hinton	Mr. and Mrs. Terrell W. Dawkins
Mr. and Mrs. John S. Everett	Charles H. Day
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hinton	Mr. and Mrs. Roland Keller
Maury Ballard	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Seabolt
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tull	Mrs. Arthur Malkin
Paul Conley	Mr. and Mrs. Barron Seiferd, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Moore	Willie Reitz
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCoy	Leslie Stratton, III
C. A. Emery	Mrs. G. D. Strauss
Mrs. W. A. Ulrich	W. S. Scott
Mr. and Mrs. Percy Todd	Mr. and Mrs. Warren Perkins
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Bridgen	
Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Gibbs, Sr.	

contributing organizations

Pi Beta Phi Alumnae
Delta Gamma Alumnae Association
Temple Israel Sisterhood
Meadowbrook Dairy
Shrine Organization
Harry Madison Food Locker
Adams Big Star Grocery No. 30
Mid-South Fair, Inc.
McLaurine Bakery
Continental Can Company, Newark,
New Jersey
Continental Can Company (Line and Staff
Personnel) Newark, New Jersey
East Memphis Lions Club, Inc.
Bellevue Baptist Church
Delta Air Lines, Atlanta, Georgia
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Wonder Products Company
Central Avenue Baptist Church, M.S.U.
Ladies Auxiliary to the Downtown Lions Club
Pearl Hooper Garden Club
Spottswood Garden Club
Personnel Stanfill-Reitz Drug Store
Church School Children, St. John's Episcopal
Church
Lady Lions, East Memphis Lions Club



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history

The doors of the Lions School for Visually Handicapped Children opened five years ago on October 20, 1954, and a new era in the education of visually handicapped children in the Memphis area began. At that time a program of education was envisioned that would meet all visually handicapped children's needs from the pre-school age through high school without their having to leave home. Most of this vision has become a reality, for four years ago five children were admitted to the public schools in the city of Memphis.

our goals

1. To give every visually handicapped child the opportunity to do his best.
2. To help every child to want to become socially and economically independent.
3. To prepare visually handicapped children to enter the public schools.
4. To see visually handicapped children become contributing citizens within the community.



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admissions and services

Children are admitted to the school on a basis of a visual handicap, a child need not be totally blind to enjoy the advantages the school offers.

The school offers the following services:

1. Nursery School Admission
2. Home Counseling
3. Toy Lending Library
4. Pamphlet Library
5. Community Education
6. Toy Research

address inquiries to:

The Lions School for Visually Handicapped
Children
672 Semmes Street, Memphis 11, Tennessee
Telephone FA 3-9632

the parents group

The parents of the children meet the third Tuesday of each month at the nursery school to discuss the problems of growth and development of children. Speakers are often invited to come in, films are also used as guides for discussion groups. The parents help keep the school equipment in repair, and build new equipment. They are an interested, active group interested not just in visually handicapped children but all children.



our thanks to you

We wish to thank again all of our friends, organizations and individuals who have helped us in the operation of our school. It is our sincerest hope that they will continue their interest in the school and the children it serves.



form for a will

I give, devise and bequeath to the LIONS SCHOOL FOR VISUALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN, INC., a corporation duly incorporated by the state of Tennessee and located in Memphis in said State.

The Sum of \$.....

you can help this nursery school in any of the following ways:

1. Volunteer help
2. Donate toys to the toy library.
3. Direct financial support as an individual or as a group.
4. Gift to the Memorial Fund.
5. Remember the School in your will.

